

1 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD**

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3 In the Matter of

4 **SUDHIR GOEL, M.D.**

5 Holder of License No. 27103
6 For the Practice of Medicine
7 In the State of Arizona.

Case No. MD-05-0013A
MD-05-0681A
MD-05-0605A
MD-05-1018A
MD-07-0150A

**CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR
SURRENDER OF LICENSE**

8 **CONSENT AGREEMENT**

9 By mutual agreement and understanding, between the Arizona Medical Board
10 ("Board") and Sudhir Goel, M.D. ("Respondent"), the parties agreed to the following
11 disposition of this matter.

12 1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and the
13 stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Consent Agreement").
14 Respondent acknowledges that he has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding
15 this matter and has done so or chooses not to do so.

16 2. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Respondent voluntarily
17 relinquishes any rights to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the
18 matters alleged, or to challenge this Consent Agreement in its entirety as issued by the
19 Board, and waives any other cause of action related thereto or arising from said Consent
20 Agreement.

21 3. This Consent Agreement is not effective until approved by the Board and
22 signed by its Executive Director.

23 4. The Board may adopt this Consent Agreement of any part thereof. This
24 Consent Agreement, or any part thereof, may be considered in any future disciplinary
25 action against Respondent.

1 5. This Consent Agreement does not constitute a dismissal or resolution of other
2 matters currently pending before the Board, if any, and does not constitute any waiver,
3 express or implied, of the Board's statutory authority or jurisdiction regarding any other
4 pending or future investigation, action or proceeding. The acceptance of this Consent
5 Agreement does not preclude any other agency, subdivision or officer of this State from
6 instituting other civil or criminal proceedings with respect to the conduct that is the subject
7 of this Consent Agreement.

8 6. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for final disposition of this
9 matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving
10 the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended
11 or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government
12 regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or
13 any other state or federal court.

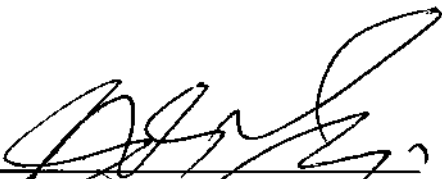
14 7. Upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy thereof) to
15 the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the acceptance of the
16 Consent Agreement. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any
17 modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved
18 by the parties.

19 8. If the Board does not adopt this Consent Agreement, Respondent will not
20 assert as a defense that the Board's consideration of this Consent Agreement constitutes
21 bias, prejudice, prejudgment or other similar defense.

22 9. This Consent Agreement, once approved and signed, is a public record that will
23 be publicly disseminated as a formal action of the Board and will be reported to the
24 National Practitioner Data Bank and to the Arizona Medical Board's website.
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1 10. If any part of the Consent Agreement is later declared void or otherwise
2 unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement in its entirety shall remain in
3 force and effect.

4 11. Any violation of this Consent Agreement constitutes unprofessional conduct
5 and may result in disciplinary action. A.R.S. § § 32-1401(27)(r) ("[v]iolating a formal order,
6 probation, consent agreement or stipulation issued or entered into by the board or its
7 executive director under this chapter") and 32-1451.

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10 SUDHIR GOEL, M.D.

Dated: 7/9/08

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

2. Respondent is the holder of license number 27103 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

3. The Board initiated case numbers MD-05-0013A, MD-05-0681A and MD-05-1018A after receiving complaints that Respondent inappropriately touched three female patients.

4. Based on the above complaints, on August 10, 2005, Respondent entered into an Interim Consent Agreement for Psychosexual Evaluation that also required that he have a chaperone present whenever he examined female patients.

5. On October 7, 2005 the Board received another complaint from a female patient alleging inappropriate touching.

6. On October 11, 2005, the Board issued an order summarily restricting Respondent's practice to male patients only. Subsequent to this order, Respondent voluntarily attended an evaluation at Sexual Recovery Institute (SRI). Based on the recommendations of SRI staff, Respondent voluntarily attended a comprehensive inpatient treatment program at Pine Grove Professional Enhancement Program for 90 days.

7. Upon his release from Pine Grove, staff recommended that he not return to the practice of medicine until he completed further treatment. Pine Grove offered a diagnosis of sexual abuse of an adult and personality disorder (not otherwise specified) (with narcissistic dependent and antisocial traits).

8. On April 6, 2006 the Board issued an Interim Order summarily suspending Respondent's license to practice medicine.

1 9. On March 16, 2007 the Board received a complaint alleging Respondent
2 engaged in the practice of medicine, in violation of a Board Order.

3 10. Board Staff interviewed several of Respondent's office staff who confirmed
4 instances where Respondent entered patient rooms, recommending treatment, writing in a
5 patient's medical chart and informing a patient of lab results. Respondent also admitted to
6 practicing under the assumed name of "Dr. Om."

7 11. Board Staff conducted a pharmacy survey and obtained an undated
8 prescription written by Respondent for Neurontin.

9 12. Respondent admits to those acts described above that constitute
10 unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. §32-1401(27)(k) ([s]igning a blank, undated or
11 predated prescription form"); A.R.S. §32-1401(27)(r) ([v]iolating a formal order, probation,
12 consent agreement or stipulation issued or entered into by the board or its executive
13 director under this chapter") and A.R.S. §32-1401(27)(uu) ([p]racticing medicine under a
14 false or assumed name in this state.

15 13. Respondent admits that the board has substantial evidence that, if accepted
16 by the finder of fact, would establish unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. §32-
17 1401(27)(z) ([e]ngaging in sexual conduct with a current patient or with a former patient
18 within six months after the last medical consultation unless the patient was the licensee's
19 spouse at the time of the contact or, immediately preceding the physician-patient
20 relationship, was in a dating or engagement relationship with the licensee...").

21 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

22 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over
23 Respondent.
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1 2. The Board possesses statutory authority to enter into a consent agreement
2 with a physician and accept the surrender of an active license from a physician who
3 admits to having committed an act of unprofessional conduct. A.R.S. § 32-1451(T) (2).
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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT License Number 27103, issued to Sudhir Goel, M.D. for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona, is surrendered and that Sudhir Goel, M.D. immediately return his wallet card and certificate of licensure to the Board.

DATED and effective this 8th day of August, 2008.

ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD



By:

LISA WYNN
Executive Director

ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed
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EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed
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Address of Record

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Investigational Review

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